



# News Release

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Open House Scheduled in Palo Cedro

**REDDING** – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will host a public open house on Thursday, July 31, 2003 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Bishop Quinn High School, 21893 Old 44 Drive in Palo Cedro. The purpose of the event is to provide the public the opportunity to discuss design concepts and to identify potential issues and impacts which may need to be addressed in the environmental document or project report for the State Route 44/Stillwater Road Improvement Project.

Caltrans, in cooperation with the County of Shasta, the Shasta County Regional Transportation Commission and the Federal Highway Administration is proposing improvements at the intersection of State Route 44 and Stillwater Road, east of Redding, in Shasta County. The alternatives currently being studied would replace the existing intersection with an overcrossing at Stillwater Road. Depending on the alternative chosen the project could include additional lanes on SR 44, an interchange at Stillwater Road or an extension of the southern frontage road, Gilbert Drive, from Airport Road to Deschutes Road.

The purpose of this State Transportation Improvement Project (STIP) is to improve the safety and operations of the existing intersection, increase capacity on SR 44 and increase access to the state and local road system.

As an interim measure, it is proposed to close the northerly connection of the Stillwater/SR 44 intersection. The purpose of this closure is to provide immediate relief to the congestion at this intersection and to provide additional safety to the travelling public.

Caltrans welcomes any suggestions or comments you have regarding the proposed project and any concerns over potential impacts to the environment. Representatives from Caltrans will be available to take comments and answer questions. There will be no formal presentation. Comments or questions may be registered at the meeting, by telephone or by mail. Written comments should be sent to Caltrans District 2, attention Mr. David Moore, Project Manager, P.O. Box 496073, Redding, CA 96049-6073. For more information please contact Denise Yergenson, Public Relations Liaison at (530) 229-0511.

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